

I want to let you know that today the House passed H.R. 3, the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act. I'm pleased to support this legislation because it permanently enshrines the long-standing and unifying principle that taxpayer money should not be used for abortion except in cases of rape, incest, or where the life of the mother is at risk. It would also overturn a deeply controversial provision in ObamaCare that created an unprecedented opening for taxpayer dollars to go toward covering the cost of abortions. I urge the Senate to pass H.R. 3 quickly and listen to the significant majority of Americans who oppose using taxpayer dollars to fund abortion.

Background:

The 'No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion Act':

- Makes specific and narrow changes to the tax code so if funds in FSAs and HSAs are used to pay for an abortion, then those dollars will not receive tax-favored treatment.
- Prevents the cost of an abortion from counting toward the deduction for unreimbursed medical expenses.
- Clarifies that tax subsidies made available in the 2010 health law for the purchase of insurance cannot be used for policies that cover abortion.